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Applicant: Kenneth Graham Paterson)	Re: Information Disclosure
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For: "DECODER SYSTEM CAPABLE OF)	Our Ref: B-3719DIVofPCT
PERFORMING A PLURAL-STAGE)	621147-1
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Sir:

In accordance with the Applicant's duty to disclose information which may be material to the examination of this application, the undersigned respectfully requests that the documents cited by the Examiner and/or submitted by the Applicant in connection with U.S. Serial No. 09/381,010 filed on September 13, 1999 (the parent of the Applicants' subject application) be considered by the Examiner before issuing the first Office Action on the merits.

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